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Firemen's Club Starts Work on Excavation

FIRST EARTH MOVED

Mayor Wiels Shovel and Speaks of Importance to Community of Project

Another important milestone in the progress of this city was passed Thursday morning. The ground was broken for the Firemen's Club building. At 8 o'clock the shriek of the siren broke the morning stillness and a second later the clang of the fire engine gong sounded and the big red apparatus pulled out of the garage and around in front of the lot, where it stood through the brief exercises, a concrete illustration of the spirit which animates the club.

A good representation of the club members was present as well as many other citizens and city officials. The teams and grading equipment were all lined up ready for work, and a little hush fell over the waiting group as Mayor Mitchell stepped forward and grasped a shovel to remove the first earth from the lot. The impending solemnity of the moment was rudely dispelled, however, by some jovial person in the group asking Mr. Mitchell if he knew how to hold a shovel. The Mayor unperturbably replied that he was brought up on a farm, that by the time he was thirteen he had accomplished as much work as the ordinary man does in a lifetime, and had been resting ever since. The Mayor then lifted a shovelful of the earth and cast it aside, announcing that the work on the Firemen's Club Building was formally commenced. He then spoke briefly of the significance and importance of the occasion in that they were starting an undertaking that was bound to have a far-reaching influence on the community life.

He said with emphasis that the real test of the interest of the men in this work was in the finishing of the job. Many splendid things are commenced but fail because of a lack of the proper spirit of perseverance necessary for their completion. He said he was sure there would be no such lack in this project.

This building is semi-civic in character, as it is to furnish the housing and care of the fire apparatus as well as to be a gathering place for the men of the city. It will be a truly democratic institution, providing a social center where all the men of the community can meet freely and come to a better mutual knowledge of each other. It will fill a long existing need in this city and should be an important element in a more active and public spirited citizenship.

He closed by urging everyone to get behind this most commendable enterprise and push it to a successful conclusion, that within a few months it may be possible to dedicate a building of which we can all be justly proud and which will be something worthy to hand down to posterity.

The Mayor's remarks were warmly applauded and then, at a wave of the Fire Chief's hand, the teams started and the work on the excavation was under way.

At the meeting Wednesday night the treasurer stated that one hundred and twenty-four members had actually paid in their subscriptions. So far no active campaign for members has been conducted and a number have expressed an intention of joining who have not yet signed up.

Rehearsals To Commence Soon

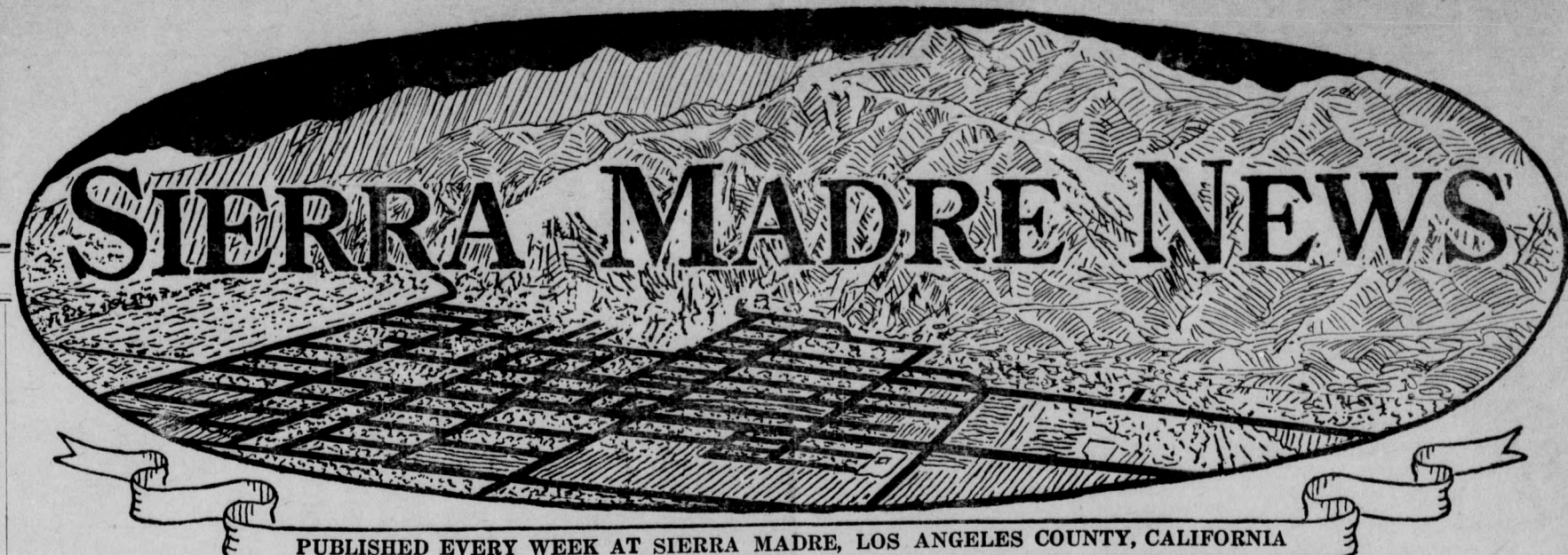
Prof. John Marquardt, the director of the above organization, which gave a successful concert at the Woman's Club House last June, announces that the rehearsals will start on Thursday, September 22, at 7:30 p. m., in the Kindergarten Building.

To dispel any idea to the contrary, Mr. Marquardt wishes it to be understood that there are no charges for membership in this orchestra; all he expects is regular attendance at rehearsals.

Mr. Marquardt stated that it is solely the enthusiastic local spirit which prompts him to create this musical atmosphere which needs stimulating to a high degree. There may be pessimists here, as in all small communities, who would not believe in endeavors without selfish ends, but he is engaging in this project for the sake of community betterment.

Prof. Marquardt is an artist of established world-wide reputation, and if he is willing to try to create an orchestra in this city he should have the undivided support of all the music lovers of the community. He requests that all musicians, especially players of string instruments, help at the good work along by appearing at the rehearsals which are held weekly.

Any further information will be cheerfully given by Mr. Marquardt, phone Red 54, or personally at 391 East Grand View.



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DISCUSSION CLEARS UP MISAPPREHENSION

Canyon Water and Street Problems Aired In Chamber of Commerce Meeting--Mayor Mitchell Makes City's Position Plain--Canyon Residents Satisfied with Explanation

The monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held Monday night proved to be one of the liveliest and best attended meetings for several months. A number of property owners from the Canyon were present to ask the support of the Chamber for some improvements which are much needed in that district.

President Topping called on Postmaster Morgridge to explain why the mail deliveries lately did not seem satisfactory in many respects. Mr. Morgridge gave a very clear, succinct explanation of the situation as it exists in Sierra Madre today.

This city has a third class, top grade postoffice. Postoffices are graded according to their postal revenues, which revenues come almost entirely from the sale of stamps. The sales of money orders, thrift stamps, etc., are not of sufficient volume to make much difference, but the sale of stamps and postals give the greater portion of the revenue. The cancellations are not counted in a postoffice of this grade.

Carrier Service Limited
The amount of money available for carrier service for a third grade postoffice is limited by law and only two carriers are ever allowed for such offices. One of the carriers has been sick recently, and in his place it has been necessary to put a new man, who of course had not the familiarity with the route and therefore could not give as efficient service. The pay for carriers is low compared with pay in other lines of work, and that greatly increases the difficulty of getting capable men.

On the last visit of the postal inspector he found that the carriers were working overtime, which is prohibited. He therefore informed Mr. Morgridge that the carriers' work must be cut down so as to be handled in the eight hours. That necessitated cutting out some of the deliveries for some of the more distant points.

The policy of the postal department is to give the best service to the greatest number of people with the means available. The deliveries are not regulated so much by distance from the postoffice as by accessibility and the number of houses in any particular neighborhood. It is sometimes necessary to cut out deliveries where there are only two or three houses at some distance apart, though near the postoffice, while it might be possible to give service to a number of houses grouped together though at a greater distance.

Buy Stamps Here
The only way for Sierra Madre to obtain increased service and more carriers is to reach a higher grade. The only way to reach a higher grade is to have increased revenues from stamp

sales. If everybody buys their stamps and stamped cards and envelopes from this office, it will help to get this higher grade. If the business increases for the balance of the year as it has for the past months, there is a chance that this office may be advanced a grade. The business is classified by the calendar year, and if the business for the year 1921 warrants it, this office will be reclassified July 1, 1922.

State Grievances
Representatives from the Canyon then stated their grievances against the city. They stated that they were tax payers and that they received nothing for those taxes. That the streets were not improved and that the water service was inadequate and that they did not have proper gas and electric service. They felt that this district was discriminated against and the residents treated unjustly.

A prolonged discussion of past and present conditions followed which made clear the following situation. The canyon was within the city limits at the time it was sold to W. S. Collins and the present owner, C. S. Mann. When the subdivision was platted, the streets in no way conformed to the city requirements. The subdivision promoters refused to meet those requirements as to width, grading, etc., whereupon the city refused to accept the streets. The promoters then sold the lots by deeds and bounds and classed the streets as lots.

Promoters Promised Water
The promoters organized a land and water company and sold the lots, making an agreement with the purchasers to supply them with water at a certain specified price. The number of people has increased so that the two-inch main installed on the principal street is inadequate and those residents on the highest portions of the canyon are without water a good portion of the time. In one section sixteen houses are trying to get water from a three-quarter inch pipe.

The increase of residents and the building on the higher ground has resulted in a need for larger mains and a reservoir. The owner is not willing to go to this expense and on several occasions has tried to sell the system to the city on terms impossible for the city to accept.

Recently the owner has sent a circular letter to all the property owners stating that he has offered to give the city the lots which compose the streets and also the water mains and service. The letter was worded in such a way that the impression was conveyed that the offer was a most generous one of streets and water system, and that the city obstinately refused to take over its proper duties and give the

canyon residents the service to which they are entitled.

The letter made no mention of the fact that costly mains would have to be installed immediately and that the owner retained possession of the well which supplies the water. Owing to the character of the land in the canyon, the street work and the water supply work will both be very expensive.

Mr. Mann bought out Mr. Collins' interests and is now the sole owner of the land and water company. He has sold out all his property holdings with the exception of about fifty lots, and he would seem, from the developments, most unwilling to carry out his contracts with the purchasers of lots and give them the necessary water supply.

Mayor States Position

Mayor Mitchell was present at the meeting and, taking part in the discussion, made the city's position very clear. He stated that there was not the slightest desire to discriminate against the canyon, that he and every other trustee had been over this question time and time again, but that it was manifestly impossible for the city to take over a proposition which would levy a heavy burden on every taxpayer in the city for the benefit of the canyon property owners. It would be a bad business proposition, and while a city has control over the public services it handles, it is forbidden by law to undertake anything that would be bad business. Taking over the responsibility of furnishing water for no other consideration than inadequate mains would certainly be rated bad business.

He stated that if the Canyon people would bring in a signed agreement from a majority of the property owners to have an assessment district formed and the street improvement done under the Vrooman Act, the way would be cleared of any obstacle in the way of the city accepting the streets.

However, the water question is inextricably tied up with the street question, as the mains are laid along the streets, and some satisfactory solution of that would have to be worked out before the city could handle the matter. He stated that if Mr. Mann would agree to turn over to the city the well and pump as well as the water mains without cost, the city would seriously consider accepting them for the sake of helping out the canyon residents and taxpayers. It is, however, out of the question for Mr. Mann to turn over the mains alone, which will be only a big liability, and try to hold the city up for a

big price for the well.

Canyon People Satisfied

The canyon representatives stated that they had an entirely new idea of the situation after all these matters were explained, and they realized fully that the city was not to blame for their troubles. From then on the discussion resolved itself into a friendly consultation as to the best method to bring about the desired result.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Stevenson, Richards and Harrington from the Canyon, and Jack Wright, was appointed to draw up a complaint to be presented to the railroad commission in regard to the inadequate water service which the Santa Anita Land and Water Company is giving, and to ask for a hearing. As the land and water company is a public service corporation in that it supplies water, it is amenable to the regulations covering such companies.

Mr. Mitchell made clear that the city does not supply either gas or electricity and that any shortcomings in those services must be taken up with the companies responsible.

Fire Menace

The Chamber of Commerce went on record as being heartily in favor of these necessary improvements in the Canyon being consummated as soon as possible, and various members offered their individual services to bring this about. The complaint to the Railroad Commission, however, must be made by the property owners suffering from the poor water service, as no other can legally take the necessary steps.

The whole city is interested in this matter being settled in the right way as, under present conditions, there is not sufficient water pressure in the canyon to take care of a bad fire. The canyon is the danger point to the whole city from the fire risk standpoint, as a fire out of control there might ruin our entire watershed. The new apparatus is equipped to handle any blaze if sufficient water is forthcoming from the canyon pipes.

This meeting went a long way toward wiping out any feeling of antagonism toward the city government which may have existed in the minds of the canyon people and showed them very conclusively that they will have the support of the entire city in their efforts to have justice done them by the company which sold them their lands.

The Secretary announced that an educational campaign to bring to the people of this city a realization of the value of Chamber of Commerce work and what it stands for in the community will be begun in October. Details of this will be published later.

Boys' Outing At Orchard Camp A Great Event

SOME PIE EATER

Athletic Contests Cause of Much Merriment Among Spectators--Boys Happy

Saturday at one-thirty a wildly hilarious group of boys started from the News office on the hike to Orchard Camp. The youngsters who have rustled so vigorously for the past month getting subscriptions for the paper were more than ready for the good time that awaited them as a result of their success in the endeavor to make the seventy-five per cent goal.

Unfortunately some of those who worked the hardest had to miss the good time. A couple were sick and couldn't go, and one or two more were haled off to town by parents who felt that the opening of school on Monday required some supplies they couldn't purchase here, but a big enough repatriation turned up to ensure a lively time.

Pies Vanish

Orchard Camp was reached about three and the pie eating contest was held immediately. Sible's Bakery had supplied eight special blackberry pies for this great event, and as the baker had had personal experience in this sort of excitement, he took particular pains to fix the pies so they wouldn't make the boys sick. They were not sweetened, and while that may not have been a pleasant surprise to the contestants when they took the first bite, it made it possible for them to eat a good deal more without feeling the worse for it.

In about five seconds after the contest started it was impossible to tell where the boys ended and the blackberry juice began. They looked like the weird imps one sees in dreams after a late supper of lobster salad and ice cream. Raymond Kirby came out winner, but he admitted himself that he had distributed the pies generously over his face and up in his hair and down his neck. However, the other contestants had done the same, so he was judged to have made a clean winning--clean in the sporting sense merely, of course.

After removing some of the traces of conflict, the athletic contests started. A grave discussion resulted in the decision that the pie eating did not come under the head of athletics, but art. The umpire for the athletic sports was Sergeant A. M. Macdonald, who is staying at the camp.

Hero Acts as Umpire

Sergeant Macdonald couldn't have been better fitted for the post if he had been made to order. He is a hero that any small boy would be more than proud to know. He wears the Croix de Guerre which was given to him by the French Government for heroism in his service in the Lafayette Escadrille. His plane was shot down by the Germans during an air fight and he fell two thousand feet. He has just been discharged from the hospital and is now completing his recovery at this mountain resort, and he threw himself into the spirit of the occasion with all the enthusiasm that anybody could ask.

The tug-of-war was won by Raymond Green, Richard Hawks and Robert Stamer after a contest that left nothing to be desired in the way of vim and effort.

The hopping contest was won by Raymond Kirby in sixty-five seconds. The course for this and the following events was the length of the tennis court and back, totalling one hundred and fifty-six feet.

The bag contest was won by Richard Hawks in fifty seconds, and the flippity flopping of the agile young citizens, securely tied, up in gunny sacks, brought shrieks of laughter from all the spectators.

Human Wheelbarrows

Another excruciatingly funny performance was the wheelbarrow race with one boy acting as the wheel with his hands for means of propulsion while another held his legs and feet suspended in the air. Hawks and Chandler carried off the honors in this, Chandler being a most speedy wheel, and showing all the class of a ball-bearing machine.

The final event was the three-legged race, and once again Hawks and Chandler came out ahead. None of the teams would carry off prizes for beauty and symmetry of motion during this race, but these two seemed to get along with the least amount of conflicting effort.

Mrs. Smith put the cap on the good time by treating the boys generously to ice cream, after which, full and happy, they started on the down trip. Altogether it was a great and glorious good time and the boys showed very plainly that they enjoyed it and appreciated the effort made by the News to show its appreciation of their work.

The aeroplane trip which was won by Perley Cox for bringing in the largest number of subscriptions will be enjoyed by Perley soon. Arrangements will be made at Sierra Field within a few days for Perley to look at his home town from a long ways up in the air.

Local Happenings of the Week

Chester Andrews, who was a resident of this city for many years, has been visiting his brother, W. S. Andrews, the fore part of this week. He is now engaged in business in Fresno.

The Men's Community Club of the Congregational Church will hold their first meeting of the season Thursday, September 22. Supper at 6:30 sharp. Program for the evening has not been arranged as yet, but a good one is assured.

F. H. Hartman returned Wednesday from a three months trip through the East. He and Mrs. Hartman visited all their relatives and altogether covered nine thousand miles of railroad ties and auto roads, but as they did most of their travelling by day, they spent only six nights of the time on sleepers. Mr. Hartman looks tremendously well and it certainly seems good to go into the drug store and see him behind the counter once more.

Stafford Sadler, one of our popular young men, has gone away to pursue his education. He left on Saturday for Corvallis, Oregon, where he will enter Oregon Agricultural College. Everybody in town likes "Staff," and he is going to be missed lots in all gatherings of the younger set this winter. He graduated from the grammar school here and then from Pasadena High last June. He has been working for J. W. Strickland through the vacation, and we have a feeling he will be able to show those Oregon chaps a thing or two when it comes to athletics.

Mr. H. E. Allen, cashier of the First National, has returned from his two

weeks at the seashore with a very much rested expression and a beautifully peeling nose. A short time

Friends Invited To Inspect Plant

The Sierra Madre Press is going to have an "At Home" on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock when the plant will be open to inspection by those of our fellow citizens who are interested in seeing the up-to-date changes which have been brought about in the past few weeks.

We have had so many friendly inquiries and so many have said they would like to see how the shop looks, that the Press feels that the only way is to set aside a time for inspection. One of the very strict rules of the new company is that no one is allowed in the shop during working hours. This rule is absolutely necessary to insure efficiency and prevent loss of time, and is like the law of the Medes and Persians in that it attereth not for either old friend or new comer.

It has been rather hard in these past weeks to turn down those whose friendly interest has been manifested in many ways, but we felt quite sure that they understood the reason therefore and that a business to be efficient must be run in a businesslike way with no favorites played.

Saturday afternoon we expect to have all the odds and ends finally in place and to be ready to show our plant off without being troubled about deficiencies in housekeeping, and we hope that our friends will take advantage of this time to see for themselves that we are equipped to do work that will be a credit to the town whose name is a part of the company name, as well as to the company itself.

will change the latter, but the many friends he has won by his unfailing courtesy and kindness hope it will

Trustees Meet and Appoint Firemen

At the meeting of the City Trustees last Thursday night considerable routine business was transacted, but the most important action was the official appointment of a chief of the fire department and the approval of the members recommended by the chief.

Earl V. Topping was appointed chief and, on his recommendation, H. H. Steinberger and Thomas Henderson were appointed assistant chiefs, and the following regular members of the department:

Guy Steinberger, Norman Morrison, Ralph Odwarker, L. Brooks, H. Olsen, N. Olsen, C. Millard, C. Askew, R. Edwards, G. Norris, L. Karger, G. McMillan, E. Rhodes, V. Hill, O. Kellogg, H. Bleeker, F. Hildebrandt, W. L. Hibbs, H. Russell, A. Wheeling, W. Richards.

J. Belohlavek requested that four of the pepper trees on the Baldwin Avenue frontage of the new garage he is building be cut down, as he claimed they would interfere with his business. After discussing the matter, the Trustees decided to wait until the building is completed and then remove any trees which it is absolutely necessary to take out and no others.

The road machine owned by the city was leased to a Covina contractor for a month or as much longer as he requires it, for a rental of \$18 per day. The city furnishes the fuel and driver for this sum.

be a very long time before the restlessness wears off.

W. S. Andrews is attending the National Convention of Insurance Agents in Los Angeles this week.

Miss Byren, who lived for a long time on East Montecito, died at the Hospital of the Little Sisters of the Poor on the 13th. She had been ill for a long time. She was known to readers of the News as A. L. Soran, who contributed verses to the columns of this paper last year.

Fire Chief Topping is leading a double life. He has been appointed City Marshal pro tem or ad interim or interregnum or something, while Udell is taking a much needed rest. If that young man doesn't look out he will have as many different jobs as a cat has lives. He insists that he bought five acres on the shores of Dry Lake, Nevada, where he intends to start a summer resort to shoot flying fish. Is a man who will make such a statement a safe guardian for our lives and property?

Marshal Udell has gone away for a ten days vacation, and he absolutely and positively refused to say where he was going. The only clew was that it was going to be somewhere where he couldn't be reached on the phone. He abandoned this town to the bandits and cutthroats Tuesday and didn't even say goodbye to a lot of important people, including the reporter. He didn't want to be written up. Well, we're not saying even a small part of the things we are thinking. Here's hoping he has a good rest and gains nerve and endurance enough to bear up under the things we are going to say when he comes back.

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Fine Prospects For School Year

The Sierra Madre school opened Monday with an enrollment of 363, which is slightly less than the enrollment at opening last year. However, school is opening ten days earlier than last year, and there are two or three families still under quarantine. When all the vacationists return, the attendance will probably be equal to that at closing time, four hundred and eleven.

There are some new members on the faculty this year owing to the resignation of some of the old teachers. Mrs. Zayda Leonard remains in charge of the Domestic Science and Mr. Fordham will again give the sloyd work.

The first grade A is in charge of Miss Cora Talbert, while Miss Elizabeth Steinberger will take B One. Miss Verma Church teaches the Second Grade, Miss B. DeWeese the Third, Mrs. Mae S. Wood the Fourth, Mrs. Eva D. Moore the Fifth, Mrs. Myra Clemmons the Sixth. The Seventh is divided, Miss Thelma Wildman taking A Seven and Miss Marie Stanley B Seven.

Prof. Reynolds, of course, teaches the Eighth Grade. Mr. Reynolds stated that the children had come back apparently glad to have the school reopened and that the year seemed to be starting off most favorably. A great many necessary changes and improvements have been made by the Trustees during the summer vacation and the classes are well equipped this year for the work they must complete.

Anyone looking at the happy, healthy children who thronged the school grounds the opening day could not fail to be impressed with the fact that this school has an unusually fine class of pupils. The general appearance of them is much more attractive than in so many quarters of the large cities where poverty and ignorance leave their marks on the children. Most of the teachers employed here like to teach in this school on that account as well as for other reasons which make the work here attractive, including the airy, comfortable teaching quarters and the pleasant location.

What Is Wrong With Business?

(By ROGER W. BABSON, in Forbes Magazine)

Statistics show that the fundamental difficulty with business today is that we are trying to run industry by the votes of Congress, judges, labor unions, and board of directors, rather than by fundamental natural law.

We are trying to make cork sink, stone float, water run up hill, and prices remain fixed when these things should not be.

Business men extol the law of supply and demand, but they want the law suspended so far as it applies to their particular business. The farmer is howling for lower priced labor, but wants a fixed minimum price for his wheat and corn; the railroads are working for lower prices for rails, and yet want to keep the cost of transportation fixed; the labor leaders are clamoring for a reduction in the cost of living and at the same time are fighting all wage reductions.

As a result, business is like the donkey, midway between the haystack and the bag of oats, who was so undecided as to which to eat that he stood and starved to death. Take the railroads, for instance. Perhaps they would be better off with lower rates; perhaps they would be better off with higher rates. But surely, if I owned all the railroads of the country, I would not continue to play the part of the donkey while over four hundred thousand of my freight cars were idle. I would either raise or lower rates—or do both—to see if something could be done to induce prosperity to return.

This business of arguing about rates without a trial is a good deal like arguing about the winner in a horse race before the race is run. One of the best barometers of prosperity is the freight car "surplus" or "shortage." One of the quickest ways to get prosperity back is to start the idle cars moving freight.

Business, like an automobile, has been running on high-gear for the

past three years; and now, all of a sudden, the automobile has stopped for lack of gasoline. During the past few months, we have been cleaning out the tank and refilling it with gasoline. Now we are about ready to start up again. But when the car stopped we were in high-gear and we have not yet shifted. In starting the car again, is it advisable to attempt to start on high-gear, or is it better to put the car first into low gear. Surely, the sensible way is to start low, move to second, and then into high. Attempting to start on high, will inevitably stall the engine.

Yet we are trying to start business on "high," just where it stopped. The railroads want to get business back at the old high rates, or have no business at all; labor prefers to be idle for months rather than have wages cut; while retailers are holding up prices "until business revives." The result is that all business is at a standstill.

Unless something radical is done it will be two or three years before we again have prosperity. With railroad rates up, wages up, and everything else up, it is impossible to start the automobile of prosperity without starting the engine. If, however, the railroads would reduce rates, wage workers would reduce wages, and retailers would reduce prices until the four hundred thousand idle cars were filled and moving; then the railroads could gradually put back their rates, the wage workers put back their wages, and so on along the line, moving gradually from low-gear to second and from second into high. Thus, could we get up to full speed without danger of stalling the engine.

Government Urges Bond Interest Collection

Interest coupons on the third issue of Liberty Bonds became due September 15, and the government requests that they be presented for payment. Your local bank will attend to this for you.

New Style of Addressing Husbands

The feminist movement grows and some of its manifestations are a trifle startling to those of us who think along the older ways. A metropolitan newspaper recently had an article stating that the advanced ladies are insisting on having their first names printed in the telephone directory following their married name.

Mrs. John Smith, who dabbles in politics or public work of any sort, isn't going to have her individuality smothered under the name of John never mind how dear John may be to her as a husband. The directory will show John Smith residing at 'leven hundred 'steenth street, and immediately following will be 'Mrs. Mary,' showing to a waiting world that Mrs. Mary Smith is right there and ready to respond to the call to public duty.

But Sierra Madre can go one better than that. The younger generation of Sierra Madreans have their own way of settling these vexed questions. One of our most popular school teachers abandoned the pedagogic career for a matrimonial one last June. Every scholar who came under her instruction promptly enrolled in the ever-increasing army of her admirers, and whenever she walked abroad she was hailed from the four quarters of the visible universe with affectionate calls of "Hello, Miss Applebee-e!"

That custom still continues, the school age population of this burg recognizing no necessity for a mere wedding ceremony to submerge their adored one's name in that of the cruelest man who has taken her away from their classroom. But their logic goes still further. From their standpoint, there isn't any question at all as to who is the most important member of that newly formed partnership, so they have their own way of putting the lesser member in his place. When the dashing Roland walks forth with his pretty wife, they are greeted with "Hello, Miss Applebee-e-e; hello, Mr. Applebee-e-e." Could the readjustment of woman's position in the social cosmos go further?

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Social Activities of the Week

Reported by Mrs. W. R. Lees

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith spent the week-end at Santa Barbara, driving up in their car.

Miss Christine Johnston left Wednesday for a ten days visit in San Francisco with her friend, Miss Frances Stough.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Allen and family of East Central have returned from a two weeks vacation at Sunset Beach.

Mrs. L. E. Jewett and party of Los Angeles friends were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fennel of West Carter on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wood and their young daughters, Betty and Virginia, have returned after three months at Long Beach. Mrs. Wood will teach the fourth grade in the public school this year.

Mr. T. C. Timberlake left for Big Bear last week for a two weeks vacation. He was accompanied by Mr. C. H. Folts of the Folts Electric Co. of Pasadena, who owns a cottage at the resort where the two will stay.

Miss Helene Seeley, who has been visiting friends at Santa Barbara for the past two weeks, will return Friday to continue her visit with her aunt, Mrs. M. D. Welsher of West Highland.

Mr. F. P. Sperry threw open his grounds for a weenie roast Tuesday evening. Thirty guests participated in the good time which was arranged by Mrs. W. R. Morgan, Mrs. H. T. Bassett and Mrs. E. P. Rhodes.

Mr. Randolph Wood, who has been visiting here for three months, left for the East today on a business trip. Mrs. Wood and David, the small son, will remain with Mrs. Wood's grandmother, Mrs. Hawks, on East Grand View during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Humphries of Los Angeles were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Humphries of East Grand View on Monday. On Tuesday Mrs. Humphries entertained at Luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elwood of Los Angeles and Mrs. Walsh of Waurika.

Mrs. Frank Hart of Hartwood gave a dinner of fourteen plates Saturday evening at her home in honor of Miss Bae Farman and Mr. Guy Steinberger, whose engagement has recently been announced. The occasion also celebrated the birthday of Mrs. Hart's two sons, Harold and Karl.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. John Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Mrs. Spencer Howard, Miss Gertrude Cook and Mr. Frank Spencer made up a jolly party which motored to Santa Monica last Friday and enjoyed a weenie bake on the shore.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Wright, who have been living at Walnut for the past two years, will return to their home here tomorrow. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson, who have been occupying the Wright house at 195 Santa Anita Court, have rented the Young property at 311 North Auburn.

Mesdames M. D. Welsher, William Carson Shaw, Jennie Appleby and W. E. Walker were guests of Mrs. J. C. Slemmons at her home in Monrovia last Saturday to meet Mrs. Molly Dewing of San Francisco. Mrs. Dewing, the mother of Harry Dewing, who is well known here, is the house guest of Mrs. Slemmons for a month.

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Mrs. Louis Karpf has returned to her home on North Canyon after a month spent at Venice.

Mrs. F. R. Yerxa of Fetilla, Calif., who has been visiting Mrs. F. J. Sokol, has returned to her home for the winter.

Mr. George Humphries has returned from Oceanside, where he spent several days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Crouch.

Mrs. Palmer Rhodes returned today from several days visit with Mrs. Louis Dietz at Ocean Park. Mrs. Dietz will be home next week.

Miss Florence Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Evans of West Central, has gone to Whittier to attend the college there.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hoey and Miss Esther Smith of Chicago were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Miller of West Highland last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brooks entertained with a theater and supper party Thursday evening. The guests who enjoyed the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lees.

Virginia Miller, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Miller of South Baldwin, celebrated her third birthday with a party at which the guests were Dolores Oswald, Jean Fulford, Randolph Twycross, Rudolph Hartman, Jr., Nadine Thompson, Elizabeth and Howard Morgridge. Pink carnations and lavender asters were used for the table decorations and the color scheme was carried out in the place cards and the attractive favors which were hidden in the centerpiece of flowers with ribbons running to each place. The tiny guests seemed to enjoy themselves quite as much as the older members of the party and a delightful time came all too soon to a close.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Jensen entertained about eighty guests last Friday evening at their home at the corner of Grand View and Sunnyside in honor of Miss Florence Evans, who has gone to Whittier College this week. During the evening a very interesting talk on her travels was given by Miss Ruth Needham of Glendora, who has recently returned from an extended trip around the world. Several of those present were dressed in the national costumes of foreign countries and these, with the many curios she displayed, made more vivid the details of her descriptions of the customs and lives of the various peoples. Miss Evans has been the faithful pianist for Bethany Church since its organization and the members wished to show their appreciation on the occasion of her departure. At the conclusion of the lecture they presented Miss Evans with a handsome travelling bag, with the hope that she will make good use of it by frequent week-end visits to Sierra Madre. The grounds were lighted with dozens of Japanese lanterns and huge bouquets of dahlias and asters were used for decorating the rooms. After enjoying ice cream and cake in bountiful quantities, the guests took leave of Miss Evans with all sorts of good wishes for her college career.

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Breakfast time was still a poem to the young couple, when he would sit and beam as she poured out the coffee daintily.

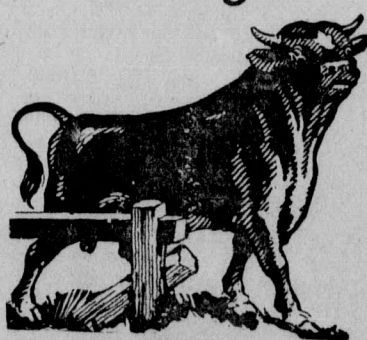
"Darling," she said, when they had finished, "will you do a little business in town for me today?"

He vowed he would do anything. "I want a mouse trap," she told him.

"Another, pet," he asked, in surprise. "Why, I bought you one only the day before yesterday!"

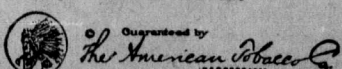
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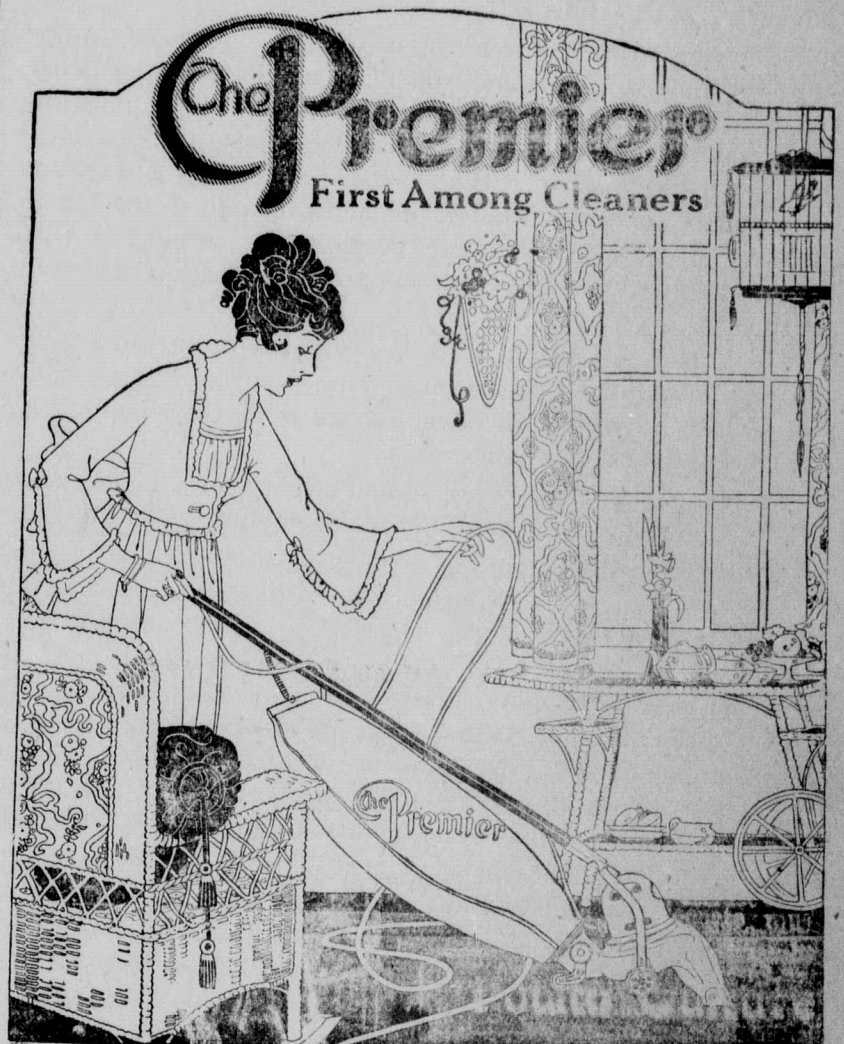
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Shall This City Profit by Experience of Others

WHAT'S the matter with Sierra Madre, having a city square or park in the downtown section? Just because it is a habit of American cities, must we wait until all the desirable sites are occupied, and then wake up some day to the sad fact that there is no suitable location which will not cost a mint of money?

Somebody said, and has been quoted numerous times since, that the time to plan a city was fifty years before it started. That is a forceful, if rather fanciful way of expressing the situation. Every city needs a healthy, rampaging fire when it is fairly well grown. San Francisco today is a thousand times more beautiful than it would have been if the earthquake and fire had not made possible the rebuilding with proper regard to width of streets and the creation of a civic center.

But cannot this city plan for the future without waiting for the fire? Are there not enough public spirited citizens here who would be willing to have a share in saving some of the still vacant land for public uses?

The city owns Bailey Canyon and twenty acres in the wash where the wells are located, but we need public property near the center of town.

We should have a city park on one of the main streets. We should have a playground. The school grounds are entirely too circumscribed and there is no available property adjoining that is not too costly. Many people have large yards, but there are many children living on fifty-foot lots and, as time goes on, that number is bound to increase. The playground is sure to come sometime, why not grab some land now, while the grabbing will not be attended with such huge financial agony?

Beautiful Brookside Park in Pasadena is an example of what public spirited citizens can do for their city. The idea of a park along the arroyo appealed to a small body of men there a long time ago. Most of the land needed was held by individuals who intended to get all they could out of it. The city made the purchase of one tract and then had no more money.

These men formed a sort of association which had no rules or bonds except a determination to see that the city eventually had the four hundred acres needed. Whenever a piece of land within the selected area was for sale, five or six of them would put up the money to buy it, and then they would hold it until the city could pay for it. In most cases they got back only the purchase price itself, no interest and no taxes for the time they held it. But they have the satisfaction of knowing they have done a big thing for the city and that the existence of the park today is due to their efforts. Only a few small plots of ground within the boundaries are now in the hands of private owners and the city expects to obtain possession of those before long.

On a much smaller scale the same plan could be carried out in this city. To those who think such plans are very far-fetched, we would call attention to the growth of the city in the past twelve months and ask what they think will be available five years from now at the present rate of building.

Do we have to stay asleep and let all the good sites slip through our fingers because cities always have done that clever thing, or are we sufficiently wide awake to show initiative and foresight and provide for the city's future need?

Who will be the man or woman to head a movement to take care of these needs? Who has some suggestions as to how to get started? Let us hear from you, readers of the News. Think about it hard and give us some practical suggestions. Don't plan anything the size of Golden Gate Park, plan something that this town can do. And don't everybody sit back and wait for the other fellow. Don't wait for George to do it, do it yourself.

If the drivers of delivery wagons and trucks who use the alley by the postoffice do not display a little more caution in coming out of the alley, there is going to be a sickening accident some day. Children have had narrow escapes recently. If there is no ordinance governing the speed at this particular point, let us have one immediately.

One of our real estate men was asked at what time of the year this town was fully populated, and his reply was that it was fully populated right now and not another house to be had to supply the daily demands. Why don't some of our financial capitalists show their faith in the town by building houses? They would receive big returns on the investment and they could choose their tenants.

Maintenance of Law Vital to Social Welfare

BELOW the News reprints almost in its entirety a recent editorial appearing in the Los Angeles Express.

We approve of the truth expressed in this editorial. The constitution is the basic law underlying our whole system of government, and it must be respected.

If the majority of the voters of this land wish certain clauses of the constitution repealed, they have a legal, constitutional method of bringing about that repeal. But while these clauses stand a part of that constitution, they must be obeyed.

"The 'wets' are wantonly slow in their obedience to the prohibition amendment to the federal constitution. Some seem to be sustained by a hope that the amendment will be repealed. Others have persuaded themselves that by some species of judicial legerdemain, some decision of a judge willing to 'distinguish and divide a hair' twist south and south-side' the amendment will be devitalized.

"The 'wets' may as well adjust themselves to the situation voluntarily as compulsorily. Every man who makes liquor, every man who sells it and every man who buys it, for beverage purposes, violates the constitution and the laws of the United States. There are no degrees of guilt in offending against the constitution. One part is just as sacred as any other. A man cannot say, 'I will obey this clause of the constitution and that clause, but this other clause does not meet with my approval and I will violate it as and when I choose.' If that sort of philosophy is allowed to function there is an end of government. When it manifests itself, as it now does, the remedy is to be found in the enforcement not in the repeal of the law. The tail must not be allowed to wag the dog.

"Government has been very indulgent in dealing with the situation. It has employed its powers of action with restraint. The consideration it has shown has been abused. The leniency often exhibited in administration has been construed as a relaying weakness or a confession of official incapacity or disinclination or as an implied license. Kindness and moderation having proved ineffective, nothing remains but to enforce the law with vigor and apply such penalties as will prove a deterrent punishment to offenders and a warning to all who would offend.

"In pursuing such a policy government will be supported, as a matter of patriotism, by every citizen who loves the constitution. It will be supported by every social, political and business agency that realizes that the maintenance of law is the supreme social necessity. If the prohibition law is to be violated with impunity, the reflex action will be to create conditions under which all laws will lose their power. It is but a step from manufacturing illicit whisky to counterfeiting currency and forging checks; from selling moonshine to tapping a till, and from buying it to buying stolen goods. Break down respect for one law and you undermine the sanctity of all.

"The prohibition law, therefore, must be enforced. The prohibition law will be enforced. Men who have been violating it would better mend their ways. The agencies that have been seeking loopholes in the law, hunting technicalities whereby its force may be thwarted or lessened, would better cease their irritating endeavors. The home distillers and the lawbreakers who make a business of illicit distillation must put an end to their activities. The men whose slavery to booze prompts them to buy the wretched stuff the moonshiners make must curb their appetites, for the day of official indulgence nears its end."

Maybe some day we'll get that 7:00 P. M. car from Los Angeles. The railroad officials are still "considering" it, so hope is not entirely dead. If only they would jazz up their considering department a bit!

Letter To The Editor

To the Editor of the News:

A recent number of the News had an article entitled, "To the Town Dog Killer." Let me say at once that I know how Mr. Sperry felt when he wrote that, and I sympathize with him. I am a lover of dogs, and I have lost several by the poison route.

But every question has two sides, and there is something to be said on the side of the people who do not like dogs, though I hold no brief for the poisoner. Any man or woman who dislikes dogs or fears them, has a right to walk through the streets of the town without being annoyed by snapping, snarling, curs running out and annoying them. Most dog owners, feeling their pet is perfectly harmless and only playful, absolutely refuse to admit that there is any annoyance. They call the victim a "crank" or "grouch" or "coward."

There are none so blind as those who will not see, and these dog owners entirely overlook the right of the other fellow. In some cases, this nervous fear or dislike increases to a positive hate of some particular dog, and then poison is tried, and about six decently behaved, gentlemanly canines get killed before the offending one gets a dose.

At the present moment there is in my neighborhood an illbred cur that is a nuisance to everybody for about three blocks in each direction. The owners have been repeatedly warned about him, but they say he means no harm, and they don't see why anybody minds him, and they let keep up his endearing behavior. Some day somebody will put poison out for that cur and some of the good dogs in the neighborhood will probably get a dose. I may hit him over the head with a rock myself before long, and it will be a plenty heavy rock.

DOG LOVER.

Sierra Madre, Sept. 9, 1921.

Editor Sierra Madre News:
The August 26th issue of the News has just reached me, and I hasten to express my appreciation and commendation of your editorial regarding the disabled service man.

The spirit of that editorial is splendid, though unfortunately it is one that is not universal.

Though no one regrets it more than do the service men as a whole, there are doubtless some malingerers among those receiving disability compensation or vocational training—but surely that is no reason for the civilian to regard with suspicion or to condemn all the disabled. The vast majority of the service men drawing compensation were honestly awarded disability ratings by competent authorities for honorably sustained disabilities. May the public remember that!

At this hospital we have some 800 tubercular service men, and practically all of them who have any chance of even partial recovery eagerly look forward to the time when some sort of work, no matter how light or limited, may be undertaken.

Yet often in conversation the fear is expressed that such endeavors will be misunderstood or penalized, for one cannot always be sure that the inspector will be such a "regular human being" as the one mentioned in your editorial; and the patients realize the disadvantage of an appearance of death. Some of our patients, raised as totally and permanently disabled look to be splendid specimens of healthy manhood, and accordingly are subjected to most unjust criticism from the general and uninformed public. The disabled service man earnestly hopes the public will not begrudge him the few dollars he may earn; to do so will but place a premium upon idleness and discourage personal industry.

The few disabled to whom I have shown your editorial approve most heartily of it and appreciate the evident source of justice and fair play that inspired it. So I write this letter not for publication, but to express the thanks of some disabled service men still in the hospital—and personally those of Yours very truly,
George G. Mitchell

By the Side of the Trail

FOR two precious Saturdays now we have foregone the pleasure of the Old Timer's companionship by the side of the trail. We have what one recent writer has called the "tum te tum" of business routine to interfere with the really worth-while things of life, with the unself-conscious give-and-take of intellectual companionship, and all of the good and lasting things that come when one casts aside the feverish quest for profit and offers up all that he has on the altar of good-fellowship content with the dispensations of the gods and of his fellow men.

And yet have not our Saturdays been altogether in vain, for in the midst of the turmoil we call business there are shaded groves as full of delight for those who seek them as are to be found anywhere in the hills.

The trail is, after all, but a figure of speech, a symbol for the highways of habit that men build for themselves to attain an easier access to the self-set goals of profit.

Spend an hour with us then by the side of the trail in the busy city of trade. The scene is the News office, as busy a place as the city affords during the forty-four hours of our working week.

The time is five o'clock Saturday, September third. The desks, tables and counters are all piled in one side of the room.

At one end, tacked to a temporary frame built by the skilled hands of the city's contractor for the love of the building and for the love of the boys to whom it was to give pleasure, is a newly laundered sheet from the editor's spare bed.

At the other end, resting upon the office safe, is a Zenith portable motion picture machine, presided over by the rare genius of George H. Oldfield who out of the kindness of his heart and his love for youth came all the way from Los Angeles to give the boys and girls of Sierra Madre a picture.

If Mr. Oldfield had any more

selfish motive in his mind he certainly did not make it evident, for before the picture began he was given an opportunity to say something about his machine to his youthful audience. His answer was, "Oh, let's go on with the picture."

In folding chairs, row after row, placed there by the managers of our furniture store that the picture might be enjoyed in greater comfort, sat fifty boys and girls of Sierra Madre and some ten grown-ups who, in spite of their size, claimed they were still young.

The picture, "The Knights of the Square Table," written and acted by James Wilder, National Field Scout Commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America, was a vivid drama of right living, as full of thrills as the most lurid melodrama of ancient days.

For an hour and a quarter eager eyes were riveted on the screen and an occasional outburst of applause showed the enthusiasm with which it was accepted.

When the picture was over and youthful audience had gone running to their respective dinners, all Mr. Oldfield could say, "I wonder if they enjoyed it. If I had known they were going to be so young I would have brought out a fair tale. They seemed to enjoy it, didn't they?"

If Mr. Oldfield came to Sierra Madre to sell a machine, none of his audience that day would have known it. He has learned the true art of salesmanship. He has learned that in order to get things in this world you have got to begin by giving. He has learned to turn into cold cash the lesson of the old Biblical proverb about casting your bread upon the waters and it will return to you a hundred fold.

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New Ideas for Nursery Business

Miss Jessie Ward, manager of the Ward Nursery, returned on Saturday from a three months visit to Eastern states. She has returned full of enthusiasm for the work and has brought back with her many new ideas about landscape gardening and nursery management in general.

When seen, Miss Ward stated that she had a most interesting time visiting many of the largest nurseries in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. She was particularly impressed with some beautiful examples of landscape work which she considers would be most adaptable for our local conditions.

She said her father hailed her return with rejoicing, as her mother's serious illness this summer has called him away from the business a good deal and he was simply swamped trying to handle it single handed. Her mother is much improved now, however, and Miss Ward and her father are laying extensive plans to handle expediently the volume of business which is in prospect. They were fortunate in having faithful and efficient help during her absence, so the stock is in splendid condition.

Miss Ward says she had a wonderful time, but is more than glad to be back in California—she didn't see any place she thought would compare with this city for a home. She went away not feeling sure the East would not have an irresistible call for her, with its old associations and old friends, but the longer she stayed the more she wanted to come back.

She has been particularly impressed since her return with the air of prosperity in this section as compared with the depression in other places, and the great amount of building in progress here. It is like coming into a different world to find everybody hopeful and hustling and happy.

Clippings From the Sierra Madre Paper of Thirty-Three Years Ago

Many Names In These Items Are Familiar and Are Figuring In the News of Today—Public Spirit Much In Evidence

The following items are culled from a copy of the Sierra Madre paper of thirty-three years ago, the "Vista," of April 7, 1888:

The school children are to have a basket picnic today (Saturday) in the Santa Anita Canyon.

There was an interesting game of baseball last Saturday between the carpenters and cigarmakers of Sierra Madre. The cigarmakers won by a score of 25 to 18.

A preliminary meeting looking to a canny was held Thursday evening. A committee was appointed to investigate and will report at a meeting at the office of Hawks and Copps this (Saturday) evening.

The solo by Mr. J. A. Osgood with piano accompaniment by Miss Lea Holmes, at the Congregational services Sunday evening, was highly appreciated by those present; as was also the solo by Miss Alice Davis.

Mrs. Tufts of Florence, an old time neighbor of C. E. Cook of this place, accompanied by her son from San Diego, made a flying visit here Monday. They are both delighted with Sierra Madre. Mrs. Tufts has bought a lot on Mr. Cook's subdivision, and it is for a home and not for speculation. Send us a lot more of this kind.

There is to be a meeting of the members of the Episcopal Church Society on next Thursday, the 12th instant, at the office of Hawks and Copps for the election of officers for

the coming year and for the transaction of other important business. A full attendance is desired.

One of the finest private residences in Sierra Madre has something rather unique in the way of an outside chimney. A dudsish trio of "bicycle tourists" from Pasadena were so much struck by this chimney a few days ago that they dismounted from their "nery, untamed steeds" to have a good look at it. Seeing a towheaded archer near, they accosted him with the conundrum, "Does that chimney draw well?" "I should say it does," replied the lad, "it draws the attention of every fool that passes here."

The corner stone of the Church of the Ascension will be laid with appropriate religious ceremonies at 3 p. m. on Thursday, the 12th inst. The names of those who have subscribed to the fund for the building of the church will be deposited in the corner stone. Several clergymen from Los Angeles and elsewhere will be present and addresses will be delivered by the Rev. Messrs. Birdsall, Jeffreys, Dean Trew and others. The public generally are invited to be present.

Beach Attractions Fail To Hold Sierra Madrean

Mrs. Emma Wallace was in town on business Tuesday and she seemed glad to be back in this city. She has been staying with relatives and friends at Long Beach for the past three weeks.

Mrs. Wallace rented her home on Santa Anita Court for six months and went gaily off to visit jazzier places, but today was rejoicing over the information that her tenants hoped to complete a new house for themselves shortly and would therefore be ready to give up her house.

She admitted very frankly that she was exceedingly homesick for Sierra Madre. She said her friends couldn't understand her feeling that way, but she wanted to come back just the same. If her friends should ever stay in this town long enough to feel its charm, they also would join the ever increasing number of those who are not satisfied anywhere else on the earth's surface for very long at a time.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

Alfred—"That young bride worships her husband, doesn't she?"
Ethel—"Well, she places burnt offerings before him three times a day."
—Exchange.

Objections to Soldiers' Bonus

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States appointed a committee to thoroughly investigate the soldiers' bonus bill and submitted the report of this committee to all the chambers of commerce throughout the country which are members of the national body.

By an overwhelming majority, these chambers voted to endorse the committee's report, which was against the bonus for healthy and uninjured service men. Consequently the U. S. Chamber of Commerce has been attacked as a body made up of big business' interests who care only for the dollar and nothing for the soldiers. A campaign for creation of a public opinion in favor of the bonus bill has started with vigor and heavy pressure is being brought to bear on many organizations to obtain their endorsement of the bill.

The following from "The Nation's Business," the official organ of the United States Chamber of Commerce, states in abbreviated form some of the reasons which influenced the organization and its members throughout the country to take a stand against the bill.

"Is It the Voice of the Veterans?" A. J. Peterson, president of the Cash Hardware Company, in Neillsville, Wisconsin, writes that he is ashamed to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States because of its attitude toward the soldiers' bonus bill. He did not "dream that a bunch of supposedly Americans could go against the boys who saved the world from being ruled by tyranny."

Mr. Peterson wishes also to cancel his subscription to this magazine. "This firm," he says, "will not be known as a member of any organization that is any way against the boys who fought for both you and I."

Among many messages of approbation, other letters of similar tenor to Mr. Peterson's have reached us. Yet the "boys who fought" and most need help were those who were crippled; and the statement of the Chamber, made during the bonus fight, that the efforts of healthy, uninjured veterans to procure a bonus would delay and interfere with adequate consideration for injured men was emphatically confirmed soon afterward by President Harding himself, who said, in his speech to the Senate:

"... this menacing effort to expend billions in gratuities will imperil our capacity to discharge our first obligation to those we must not fail to aid."

That argument has not been answered by any advocate of the bonus. The nearest approach to an answer has been a vague suggestion that the President of the United States and the Secretary of the Treasury didn't know what they were talking about when they discussed the Nation's finances. Fact and specification have been utterly lacking.

While a minimum amount of the bonus equals the total amount of appropriations for running the entire Government for two years before the war, any one familiar with the history of pension legislation knows that in the final reckoning any minimum will be conspicuous by its absence.

The maximum figure is appalling. The bonus advocates ask for the healthy, uninjured veterans an amount which, counting the cost of administration, exceeds all the soldier pensions which have been paid by this Government in the 142 years of its existence. But another way, it exceeds the total Government appropriations for the six years from 1912 to 1917.

"While we bared our breasts to bullets the profiteers at home waxed fat"—that sentimental note is often heard. It isn't especially appealing when one considers that over 2,000,000 of the veterans were never called to arms until six months before the Armistice, and that these men spent their military duty in camps, many times in their own States. For this they want billions from an impoverished treasury.

There is no soldier organization in the country today that has a membership exceeding fifteen per cent of the total number of veterans of the World War. Persons who have undertaken to speak for the whole body of veterans—and there has been an abundance of such persons—have accordingly arrogated a great deal to themselves. They have presumed to represent the great silent body of veterans who have not indicated an unpatriotic desire for money at the cost of a Treasury breakdown."

Pasadena High Crowded By Huge Enrollment
Sierra Madre is sending a good sized delegation to Pasadena High this year. The exact figures are not available at present, but over eighty car books were sold to high school pupils the first day.

Monday night the enrollment at Pasadena had reached 2545, which is larger than many of the smaller colleges throughout the country. Saturday the boys and girls were exactly even in numbers, 1040 of each being registered, but over four hundred more pupils have come in since then, which changes that. It was rather an unusual showing, as generally the girls far outnumber the boys.

Guy Johnson Will Recover from Illness

The friends of Guy Hallett Johnson will be much relieved to learn that the crisis of his illness is passed and the physicians pronounce him out of danger.

Mrs. Ingraham, his sister-in-law, received a wire on Tuesday stating that his recovery was assured though it would be very slow, and that his family were immensely relieved and very happy.

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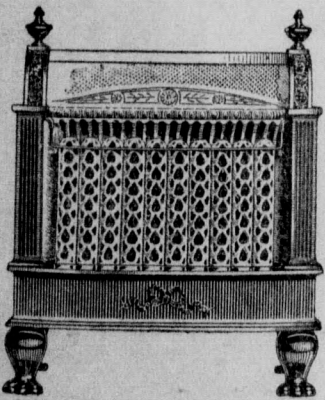
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BETHANY

Dr. W. H. Rawlings, Pastor. 11:00 A. M. Morning Service. 6:30 P. M. Senior Young People's. 7:30 P. M. Evening Service. Wednesday evening 7:30 prayer meeting. Mr. F. R. D. Moote, Sunday School superintendent. Rev. A. H. Miller, conductor adult's Bible class.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Holy Communion 8 a. m. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon 11 a. m. No evening service.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

9:30 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Morning Service, subject Sunday, September 11, "Substance." Services of the Christian Science Society of Sierra Madre are held in the Kindergarten building West Highland Avenue. Testimony meeting Wednesday 8 p. m.

Missstep On Dark Trail Causes Fractured Leg

Fred S. Wyattts of 1823 South Union Avenue, Los Angeles, fell off the Mt. Wilson trail at a point about three hundred yards this side of Orchard Camp, last Saturday about 12 o'clock night and broke his left leg in two places between the knee and ankle.

Mr. Wyattts, who had his two little children with him, was without a light and, at a dark turn, lost his footing and fell about twelve feet. The children went on to Orchard Camp and reported the accident, and men from there went to his assistance. They put an improvised splint on the injured leg, and placing him on a stretcher started down the mountain. Word was sent to Sierra Madre from Orchard Camp, and Marshal Udell, Tom Henderson, Bill McCreary and Traffic Cop Van De Mark started up immediately, meeting the other party before they had come very far. The four men brought Mr. Wyattts to Dr. Goodenow's office, where he was made more comfortable, and Sunday morning he was sent in to the Pacific Hospital in Los Angeles.

The rescue party had high praise for the courage and coolness displayed by the injured man in spite of the intense pain he suffered. The trip down the mountain is a difficult one when carrying such a burden, and in spite of their best efforts there was certain to be some jolting and jarring, but Mr. Wyattts made no complaints and was most appreciative of the efforts they made to assist him.

A PLEASANT RULE

In a large park in one of the Eastern cities there are seats about the bandstand with this notice posted on them: "The seats in this vicinity of the bandstand are for the use of ladies. Gentlemen should make use of them only after the former are seated."

Guy Johnson Critically Ill at Home in El Paso

Many people were shocked to learn within the past day or so that Mr. Guy Hallett Johnson, who was formerly a resident of this city, is lying at the point of death at his home in El Paso.

Mrs. Ingraham, his sister-in-law, received a wire stating that he had pneumonia and the doctor gave him hope. A later wire stated that after consultation the doctors were not certain as to the outcome and that he was making a fight for his life.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, who lived here for several years, were very popular and took an active part in club and social life. Their many friends are anxiously waiting for further news.

Water Rates Not Excessive

(Continued from Page One) showed decided interest and were very free with information. Satisfied Consumers

One business man who has a fair sized lawn said he estimated his cost about fifty cents a month. Another said he had about 1500 square feet with shrubbery and trees besides and that water was used freely in the house, and he thought three dollars left a wide margin for the hot months.

One citizen who has put in a new lawn this summer, which naturally requires much more water than a well established one, and it is a pretty large lawn at that, said that all the outside irrigation, the water in the house and in the office, had never cost five dollars. He hasn't been here so awfully long and he seemed to think the rates very reasonable.

And so it went. Either the reporter struck only the contented ones or else most of the citizens have no kick coming on the water question. Each interview wound up with one stock question, "Considering the kind of water we have here, do you think it is worth all you pay for it?" and the answers, while varying somewhat in phraseology, can all be summed up in two words, "You bet!"

THE CAT!

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Can a schooner three miles from shore be referred to as near-beer?

At the Disarmament Conference next November no doubt the question of women's hats in crowded places will be taken up. And rolling-pins, too, perhaps.

The Blue Law-ers of Kansas, Queen of the Nut States, are soon to wage a campaign against transparent shirtwaists. Having rid the state of booze, it now seeks to eliminate the neck-a-booze.

NOT TOO LATE

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A party of the China's officers out to see the sights, were arrested for violating the traffic laws. They were given a copy of the rules of the road, these they are:

At the rise of the hand of policeman, stop rapidly. Do not pass him by or otherwise disrespect him.

When a messenger of the foot hove in sight tootle the horn trumpet to him melodiously at first. If he still obscures your passage tootle him with vigor and express by word of the mouth the warning, "hi hi."

Beware of the wandering horse that he shall not take fright as you pass him. Do not excite him by shouting at him. Go soothingly by, or stop by the roadside till he pass away.

Give big space to the festive dog that make sport in the roadway. Avoid entanglement of dog with your wheel spokes.

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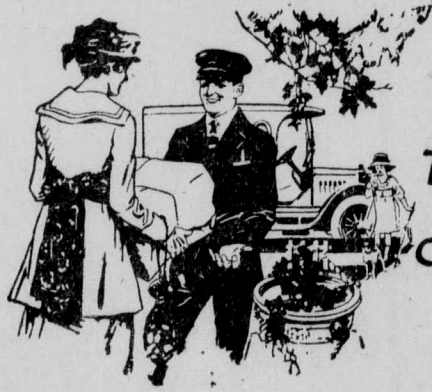
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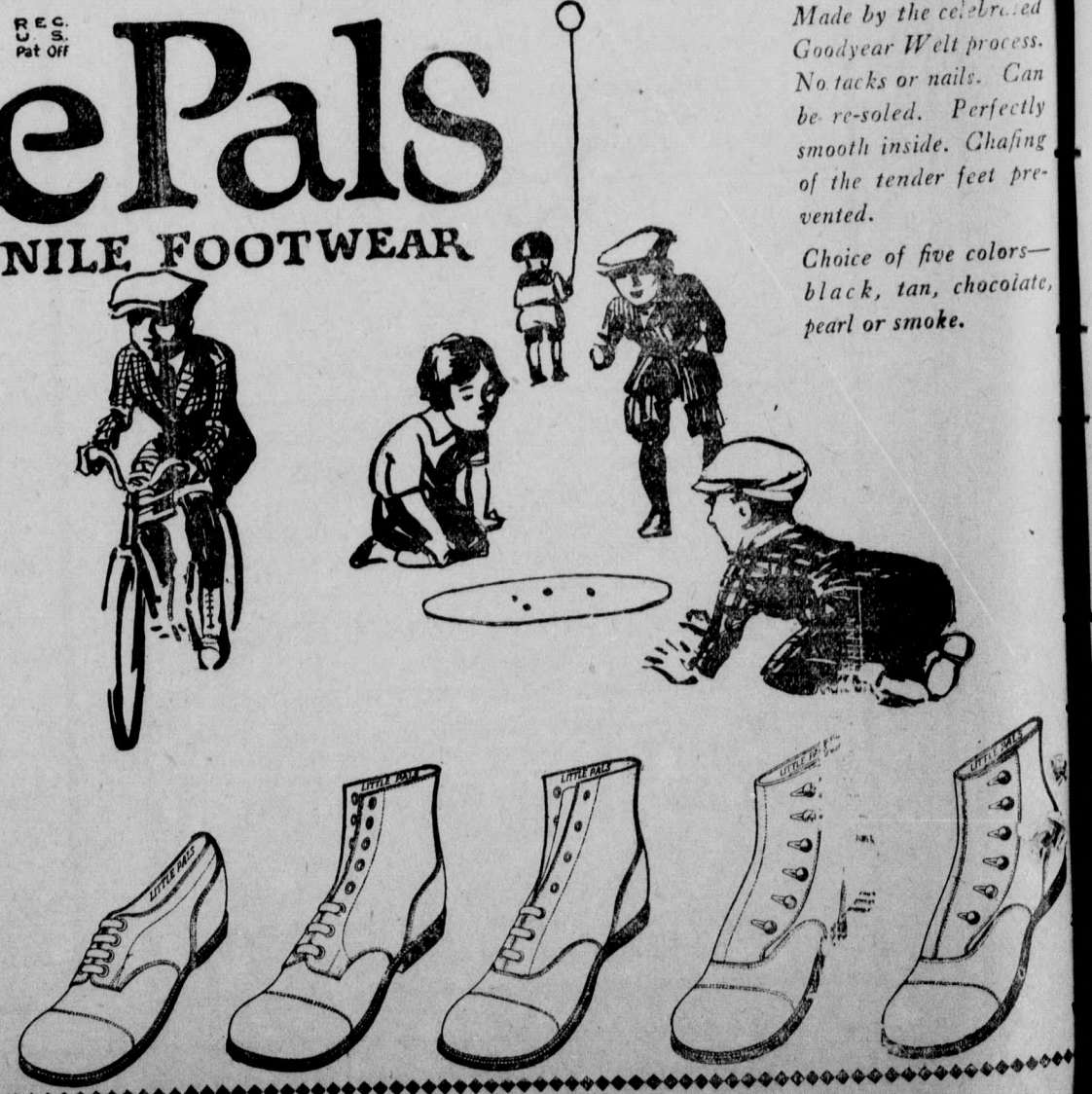
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